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## Should read:

• The County will be following up to sample sand pits and play areas in other parks throughout the community.

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Subject: Benny Goodman Park, Anaconda, Montana

Hi, Bill, Sandy, and Betsy:

Per your request, below is a draft hot topic for Benny Goodman Park for Anaconda. I kept it brief and used the format provided by Sandy in March. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you require more information for the topic.

Thank you,

Joe

## Recent Anaconda Deer Lodge County Sampling Data Show Arsenic and Lead in Benny Goodman Park, Anaconda Smelter Superfund Site

<u>Key Message:</u> EPA is following up on preliminary screening level data for a public park in Anaconda, Montana, that showed levels of lead and arsenic above cleanup standards for the Superfund site.

- The average concentration of lead and arsenic in surface soil (0-2 inches) are below the residential cleanup level for the site (250 ppm As, and 400 ppm Pb) and well below the recreational cleanup level (1,000 ppm As).
- Data for the sand pit/children's play area within the park showed levels of Arsenic and Lead above the residential cleanup level while still below the recreational cleanup level.
- The Atlantic Richfield Company has agreed to remove and replace the sand with clean material within the next week or two.
- Sampling from 2003 showed the sand pit to have an average Arsenic concentration of 70 ppm.
- EPA, Anaconda Deer Lodge County, and Atlantic Richfield are working together to follow up with more comprehensive sampling of Benny Goodman Park and cleanup if necessary.
- The Count will be following up to sand pits and play areas in other parks throughout the community.
- EPA is following up on more details about the County's sampling effort, reviewing quality assurance data, and investigating how the park may have become contaminated in the 14 years since it was found to be clean.